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It took a mighty good CCC boy to keep his girl while the Perch was in port.

Advice is like medicine, easy to give and hard to take.

The early bird catches the worm, but it is the early worm that gets caught.

With hunting season at its height, we wonder if fishermen really are the biggest liars in the world.

"Pretty is as pretty does," is particularly applicable to bird dogs.

Nothing beats the satisfaction a person enjoys after telling the truth to someone who was trying to catch him in a lie.

At any rate, this season of warm temperatures must prove rather hard on the overcoat manufacturers.

School Buses

Having anything to say now about the school bus situation in North Carolina is like hitting a man who is down, for plans already are underway to remedy this shameful situation that has been allowed to develop in our transportation system.

But when the time comes for the distribution of the new trucks, we hope that Brunswick county receives her share upon the basis of her need. This matter rests largely in the hands of the county superintendent of schools, who already has made application for new conveyances.

Spring Fires

As wet as the weather has been during the past few weeks it seems absurd to mention the dangers of forest fires, but during the next few weeks there will be a real menace from this source.

Burning still occupies a prominent place in the preliminary operations of a farmer who is getting his land ready for planting. Brush fires should be guarded carefully, and a close watch should be maintained on fires used to burn off new ground.

Prevention is the most practical step in forest fire control.

Paying Business

During the past few weeks thousands of dollars have been paid to Brunswick county farmers for fattened hogs. You can ride through the county and see for yourself the improvements for which this income has been responsible.

It is a fine thing for farmers to get away from the one-crop idea that has for so long held the South within its grasp. Ever so often disaster is sure to strike the grower who has depended too much upon one thing.

County agent J. E. Dodson told us the other day that there are forty-five farmers in Shallotte and Waccamaw townships who are fattening hogs for market this year. This is a fine result of his efforts as county agent, and the effects long will be felt in Brunswick county.

Worth Trying For

Without making any attempt to decide for the Legislature the merits or demerits of the proposal to erect state-owned gasoline terminals, we still insist that Southport should be represented at any open hearing held in connection with the matter.

During the past week several persons have come to us with attacks upon the feasibility of the plan. We are not defending it; we are merely championing Southport as the logical location of the terminal if and when it is built.

The Nation Dances

This week-end the nation dances. In towns and cities throughout the country will be held dances honoring President Franklin D. Roosevelt upon the occasion of his fifty-fifth birthday.

Party lines and political prejudice is forgotten, for in the thought that they

are doing something for suffering children all citizens are as one. Proceeds from these dances will, of course, go to the fund to help combat infantile paralysis, a disease which once threatened the very life of the nation's chief executive.

So join your neighbors throughout the United States this week-end and help serve a worthy cause.

Quantity Will Do It

Remember, your Uncle Sam does things upon the basis of efficiency, and not from sentiment. Therefore, the continuation of the Sunday mail service in Southport depends entirely upon the volume. We repeat: If you want to keep it, use it.

For Library Aid

The Citizen's Library Movement of North Carolina will present a bill to the 1937 General Assembly regarding state aid for public libraries. Many sections of this state have no libraries, many sections have small, inadequately supported libraries, many sections are too poor and have too scattered population to support adequate library service. Many sections would provide support for public libraries if they realized the advantages to be gained. In most sections are boys and girls, men and women eager for good books to read.

The bill will entitle every county to share in the appropriation and as drafted will provide an equalization fund to especially aid those counties most in need. In some counties the greatest need is for more books, in some counties the greatest need is for a trained librarian, in some counties a book truck to take books to the people is the greatest need.

The Southport Public Library and the school libraries of Brunswick county doubtless would welcome state aid in their work of making good literature available for citizens of this section, and the bill surely deserves thoughtful consideration.

Might Be Graduated

Some tobacco farmers of this section are propagating a plan for graduated reduction of tobacco acreage whereby the smaller growers would not be cut in the same proportion as the larger growers.

Such a plan sounds feasible enough. Perhaps there are unforeseen difficulties which might arise from such a plan, but now they are not apparent.

It does seem to be a little unfair that the small grower who has one, two or three acres of tobacco, only a very small crop, should be cut in the same proportion as those with a hundred acres or more.

Certainly there is something for consideration in this matter.

Duty Of Public

Few people seem to realize the duty which attaches to the public in aiding in the enforcement of the law. They appear to have the general idea that only officers have any duty to perform when it comes to enforcement of the statutes, and completely wash their hands of any responsibility at all in the matter.

Just how firmly the most of the general public seems to be of their own immunity from such responsibility has been pointed out by an officer of the law in Columbus county recently.

Corporal Pridgen, a member of the State Highway Police Patrol, last week while investigating an automobile accident near Fair Bluff in which two persons lost their lives, told the press that if the public citizens had sensed their responsibility to report wrong-doing in this matter, the accident would not have happened.

Liquor apparently played a big part in the accident which snuffed out the lives of these two men, Corporal Pridgen said, when an automobile being driven by a man intoxicated struck another from the rear.

Within a few minutes before the accident, the car, which was the implement of destruction in this case, Mr. Pridgen pointed out, had driven up under a filling station at Fair Bluff, and that the driver and his father had argued for an hour over who was to drive the machine.

That was in the presence of a number of witnesses, and if they had not been derelict in their duty to report the man who was operating an automobile while intoxicated, the accident would never have happened.

The public has a definite duty to perform in these cases, and the country would be a much better place in which to live if the officers received a little more co-operation from the general run of people.—News Reporter.

Southport School News

Half Mast
Last Thursday and Friday the flag stood at half mast in honor of the dead father of Lucy Anderson. The Masons held a very impressive funeral.

The Sea Scouts have charge of our flag. They control its movements and its position.

Record
Something unusual happened last week: not a single truck missed a trip.

Basketball
Games, games, games! Two every night last week except Friday.

Waccamaw gave us a hard-fought game; the girls lost heavily, the boys won by a score of 12 to 11.

Present Play
The Dramatics Class presented a very successful play, "A Bird In A Cage," Friday night. This play was unusually good. The actors were well trained. The only trouble was that not enough people saw it.

Dramatics is a new course added this year and we feel that it is proving a success.

Double Loss
Monday night the Atkinson school came down on us with a tripple-header. They carried the two school victories away. The CCC team was victorious over the Atkinson town team. Although they took the victories, we enjoyed a good game with a clean bunch.

P. T. A. Meet

The Parent-Teachers Association is looking forward to a successful meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. Supt. Roland, from Wilmington, is to be the principal speaker. The program of this meeting is given elsewhere in this issue.

Waccamaw School News

(By Edna Mintz)
Play Cast

The juniors have selected the characters for their play, entitled, "Aunt Samantha Rules The Roost." It is being sponsored by Miss Kimzey, the fifth grade teacher. We are planning to have it ready to be given soon, and are hoping it goes over with a bang.

Principal B. M. Crawford and little son, Gilbert, were in Wilmington Thursday afternoon.

Returns
Friends of Mrs. G. M. Crawford will be glad to learn that she is back home after undergoing an operation recently in the James Walker hospital, in Wilmington.

Organizing
Mr. J. E. Dodson, county agent, met the high school boys and girls in the school auditorium here Friday morning for the purpose of organizing a 4-H club. Mr. Dodson said the club would be for those who would be interested in growing corn, raising swine and poultry. A large number of the students joined the club and seemed to be very interested in it. So if we have much success, watch the swine and poultry go by.

P. T. A. Meeting
Mrs. J. E. Dodson, president of the Parent-Teachers Association, Miss Christine Fields, secretary, Miss Minnie Jackson, treasurer, all attended the county P. T. A. meeting at Bolivia Tuesday night.

Attends Meet
Z. G. Ray, the science instructor, left Thursday morning with a party of friends from Bolivia, and Mt. Pisgah, to attend the State Sunday School convention in Shelby. He will be gone Thursday and Friday. Mrs. B. M. Crawford is substituting in his place during his absence.

Large Crowd
A large number attended the P. T. A. meeting here Friday night. Miss Biggers was in charge of the program, which consisted of readings and songs.

Shallotte News

Rev. F. V. Spence attended the Missionary meeting at Trinity church, in Wilmington, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ward, of Nakina, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Swain Saturday.

Mrs. Annie Mae Hinson is visiting relatives in Wilmington.

James Stone arrived home last week after spending some time in Albemarle.

Mrs. Beaman Sellers was a business visitor to Southport on Saturday.

Miss Cathryn Chadwick, of the local school faculty, was unfortunately caught in a shower of German Measles without an umbrella during the week-end. Her many friends are wishing for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Mintz, of Southport, visited Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Mintz Sunday.

Soph (earnestly): "Now, honestly, what would you do if you were in my shoes?"

Senior (disdainfully): "Get a shine."

Shallotte School News

(Sheult Lewis)

Thursday night the Lockwoods Folly grammar school P. T. A. gave the following program at the school:

Devotional, a sixth grade student; play: "The Child Who Is Polite," eight first grade pupils; song: "The Gingerbread Man," second grade; song: "We are Little Soldier Men," first and third grades; dialogue: "Peach Pie," fifth grade; song: "Too Many Green Apples," fifth grade. Song: "Cinderella," fourth grade and sixth grade; talk: "Attendance," Mr. Connel, principal; talk: "Membership," Miss Holden, teacher.

After the program the lunch room project and other business was discussed.

There was no chapel program this week, but Miss Riddle's section of the first grade will have charge of the program next Wednesday.

Quilting Party

Mrs. Sudie Lee Roach gave an old-fashioned quilting party on Saturday, January 16, at her home. When the guests arrived they all worked until the quilt was finished, then games were played, while Mrs. Roach made lemonade, after which she served the guests with lemonade and cake. The following guests were invited:

Misses Catherine Hewett, Ida Mae Roach, Delma Hewett, Esther Roach, Dorothy Roach, Ruth Caison, Sheult Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hewett, Messrs. Elmer Long, Boyd Robinson, John L. Caison, Calvin Hewett, Herbert Robinson, Bedford Ludlum, Rudolph Robinson, Winfred Hewett, Harris Gore and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Roach.

BASKETBALL NEWS

Shallotte high school boys and girls played Southport on January 21st, at Southport. The Shallotte girls were victorious by a score of 41-12. The boys score was a defeat for Shallotte 20-12.

Shallotte girls: Bennett, 7; Stanland, 7; Bennett, 12; and Mintz, 15; Southport girls: Hickman, 1; Brown, 9; Niernsee, 2. Shallotte boys: Redwine, 1; Tripp, 5; Holden, 3; Hickman, 2; and Clemmons, 1. Southport boys: Marlowe, 4; Hubbard, 7; Jelks, 6; Hickman, 2; Frink, 1.

Freeland News

Cutting Pulp Wood
News is narrated that cutting pulp wood is to begin this week in the vicinity of Makatoka. There is an abundance of timber for this industry here and people predict a thriving business.

The Waccamaw Lumber Corporation is cutting a lot of fine timber and marketing it from this section.

D. A. Little, of Suffolk, Va., is visiting friends and relatives here this week.

The Rev. F. P. Potter filled his regular appointment Saturday evening and Sunday at 11:00 o'clock.

Ben Gray made a business trip to Bolton.

B. A., J. B. and Rosty Little went to Southport to see the U. S. Submarine last week.

Leland Club Women Hold Regular Meet

The Leland Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. K. B. Dresser on Tuesday afternoon, January 19th. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. C. A. Watts.

Several interesting topics were discussed by different leaders. Mrs. H. T. Lewis gave a very good discussion on child development and training, after which Mrs. K. B. Dresser, the home dairy leader, gave a discussion on the making of cheese and the uses of milk. Mrs. W. A. Cook, the poultry leader, made a talk on the care and feeding of chickens and how to get the best egg production. Mrs. Albert Lassen, the home furnishing leader, explained how to furnish the home, refinish furniture and decorate the walls, and Mrs. A. H. Thomas gave a very interesting talk on home management and the care of the kitchen utensils.

After these talks Miss Marion Smith, the county demonstrator, took charge of the meeting in which she used the major and minor projects as the lesson discussion, which included home furnishings and rearranging of the furniture.

Members then had a social hour and enjoyed games. Mrs. Albert Lassen won the prize, a nice cook book. Mrs. Dresser, the hostess, served a most delicious candy course.

Those enjoying Mrs. Dresser's hospitality were, Mrs. A. H. Thomas, Mrs. W. C. Cook, Mrs. C. A. Watts, Mrs. Downs, Mrs. H. T. Lewis, Mrs. Albert Lassen, Miss Marion Smith and Miss Mary Lewis.

Brunswick Baptist Union Saturday

The Brunswick Baptist Association is divided into two unions. This is the program for the lower union. It was confused with the upper union last meeting, and it is hoped there will be

After, Huh, Papa?

By PERCY CROSBY



no confusion at this time. A sermon by pastor, B. R. Page; large attendance is desired at song, closing morning session. this meeting.

Theme: The Church, the Mother of Believers; Song service; 11:1-8; Topic: "A Divine Plan for every Life," Dennis Hewett; devotionals: "Christians Must Flee Idolatry," I Cor. 10:14-26; prayer; business period. Topic: "Back Up Your Pastor," Rev. Z. G. Ray; song: Morning.

Henry—"I'm sorry, Josephine, but I went into six stores and tried to match your sample of goods but there wasn't a thing in town anywhere like it." Josephine—"That's just what I wanted to find out. Now I can make a new dress and know that all the other women in town won't have one just like it."

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The Last Package - - - !

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